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SUBJ: INFORMAL CANADIAN REACTION TO U.S. VIEWS ON ROLE  
OF UNCTAD SECRETARIAT IN COMMODITY CONSULTATIONS

REF: STATE 208183

1. EMBASSY OFFICER CONVEYED REFTEL SUBSTANCE TO JEAN TREMBLAY, DEPT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (EXTAFF) COMMERCIAL POLICY DIVISION, ASKING FOR GOC COMMENT, PARTICULARLY REGARDING POINTS FROM BOSWORTH - COREA LETTER IN PARAGRAPH 13. TREMBLAY SAID EXTAFF, OTHER CONCERNED MINISTRIES, AND INDUSTRY OFFICIALS PREOCCUPIED WITH PREPARATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER UNCTAD COPPER CONSULTATIONS, SO RESPONSE TO EMBASSY QUERY WAS DELAYED AND WAS NOT CLEARED WITH OTHER CONCERNED PARTIES AND GOC AGENCIES. FOLLOWING THUS REPRESENTS ONLY INFORMAL EXTAFF VIEW OF USG POLICIES OUTLINED IN REFTEL.

2. REGARDING THE FIRST POINT IN PARAGRAPH 13, EXTAFF AGREES THAT FULL UTILIZATION OF EXISTING GROUPS IS IMPORTANT FOR SUCCESS OF CONSULTATIONS. EXTAFF BELIEVES, HOWEVER, THIS IS ALREADY PROVIDED FOR IN  
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SECTION 93(IV) OF THE UNCTAD COMMODITY RESOLUTION.

TREMBLAY ASKED WHETHER THIS POINT REFERS TO PRODUCERS GROUPS ONLY OR PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS. HE SAID PRODUCERS ONLY WOULD LIMIT GROUPS TO CIPEC, IRON ORE PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION AND INTERNATIONAL BAUXITE ASSOCIATION (DEPARTMENT PLEASE RESPOND TO THIS QUESTION).

3. WITH RESPECT TO SECOND POINT IN PARAGRAPH 13, TREMBLAY SAID THAT CANADIANS HAVE NOT CONSIDERED OR ATTACHED MUCH IMPORTANCE TO THE IDEA THAT CONFERENCES ON INDIVIDUAL COMMODITIES BE DELAYED UNTIL AD HOC COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED.

4. COMMENTING ON THIRD POINT IN PARAGRAPH 13, TREMBLAY SAID EXTAFF FEELS IT WILL BE DIFFICULT FOR COREA TO LIMIT SUBSTANTIVE WORK AT CONSULTATIONS TO COUNTRIES WITH DIRECT INTEREST IN A SPECIFIC COMMODITY. EXTAFF, HOWEVER, HOPES IT WILL BECOME EVIDENT TO COREA THAT COMMODITY PROBLEMS CAN BEST BE WORKED OUT BY DIRECTLY INTERESTED PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS. IF RESTRICTED TO CONSUMERS AND PRODUCERS, EXTAFF BELIEVES PROBABILITY OF NORTH-SOUTH CONFRONTATION DURING CONSULTATIONS WILL BE MINIMIZED.

5. EXCEPT FOR QUALIFICATION IMPLIED BY QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS ABOVE EXTAFF AGREES FULLY WITH AMERICAN POSITION OUTLINED REFTTEL.  
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